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NATRIURETIC PEPTIDES")

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## Amendment After Notice of Allowance and Submission of Replacement Drawings

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.312, applicants request entry of the amendment herein. The submitted amendments merely correct formal matters in the specification and drawings. Please consider the following remarks and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.